No. 9

NEWSLETTER - CLUB '70

Edmonton, Alberta

1. General Meeting:

The Board, at its meeting held on August 10, 1970, received a request signed by 12 members for a general meeting.

This is notice that a General Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 13th starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Club premises.

2. New Club Premises:

Well the new premises are opened and again trouble seems to be looming on the horizon. During the past three weeks we've apparently struck it rich in inspectors. We've had City Inspectors, Health Inspectors, City Building Inspectors, Inspectors from the Fire Commissioner's Office and even an Inspector from the Alberta Liquor Control Commission.

The City Building Inspectors have advised us that the area that we are located in is zoned for warehouses only. It would appear that we may have to try and have the area rezoned to allow us in (which could be more than difficult) or see if its possible for us to operate for the next two years (the balance of the lease) and establish quarters elsewhere after that time.

The Fire Commissioner's Office requires that we: install exit lights on doors, battery operated emergency lights in case of power failure or fire, egress doors (doors that swing out from building) and since it is a public place the doors will probably have to be equipped with panic bolt hardware. This is no problem at the front but that large up-lifted garage door at the back of the building could be expensive it we have to replace it or a portion of the cost for having it replaced.

Another factor the Fire Commissioner's Office requires is some means of ventilating the building. I think all will agree that as far as members are concerned this is a number one item. A committee under the Chairmanship of Miss F. Colins has already done work in this area. One tender has been received and others are expected. This, to say the least, is a very expensive item - probably cost in the area of $500 to $750.

However, before this work can be proceeded with, the Board still has to know what the City's attitude will be regarding zoning; this is being looked into by the Club's lawyer.

3. Old Club Premises:

There have been a few complaints about the music and where the 'hell' is the juke box. The juke box is still in the old premises and it appears that Mr. Anton is in Greece and won't be back for a while. The Club's lawyer has been instructed to contact Mr. Anton's new lawyer to see if we can gain admittance to the old premises to pick up the balance of our things that are still in there (we hope).

Among the missing items are the following:

6 spot lights with an approximate value of $49.00
electrical supplies including plug-ins, extension cords, pliers, screw drivers and minor supplies - $10.00

2 mirrors, 18" x 4 ft (2.50) - $5.00
1 - 4' x 8' sheet 1" plywood - $18.75
1 coffee perculator (36 cup) - $15.75
6 black lights ($12.95 each) - $77.50
8 - 2' x 2' x 1" sheets plywood - $18.75
15 bottles assorted hard liquor (26 oz) - $87.00
6 cs. of beer - $16.50

So much for the complications!

4. "Show-Nite," August 1:

Thanks go out to Brian Ponto and his group for the very fine show on August 1; I think it goes without saying that this was the best show yet. On behalf of the Board and members thanks to Millie, Grindel, Sister Betryl, Wendy and Mother Cho....

5. Amended Rule Re Guests at Club:

The motion governing guests at the Club has been amended to read that "member bringing a guest to the Club will be required to present his/her card to the ticket personnel and register his/her card number and that the guest will be required to print his/her name opposite the number after supplying proof of age and I.D."

We've had a few problems of a minor nature and discovered we couldn't read neither the guest's name nor the member that brought him. Changing this may help to some degree.

A member of the Board has requested that the business of guests at the Club be placed on the agenda of the General Meeting to be held on September 13th.

6. Wanted, Two Caretakers for Club:

The Board is seeking the assistance of two girls (members only) to take over the caretaking services of the Club. A salary of $50.00 a month will be paid to each. Applicants for the job will be expected to have the premises cleaned-up for each Friday and Saturday openings. Briefly, the duties consist of sweeping, cleaning ashtrays, table tops, laundering table cloths and emptying waste materials.

Applications will be received by the Secretary up until Sunday, August 23rd and the Board will make the appointments at its meeting on August 24th.

The Secretary's address is: Mr. Dow Hicks
#501, 9835 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta

7. Employees of the Club:

In view of the difficulty in obtaining volunteers to work at the Club during the hours it is open, it was decided that all members working would be paid on the basis of $1.50 each per hour at the entrance (ticket booth) and $1.25 each per hour at the concession stand.

Two separate schedules have been put up in the entrance of the Club and members may sign their names to the dates that they would like to work.

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Time Sheets must be turned in before any cheques will be issued. This is a must in order to keep the Treasurer slightly sane.

8. Amended Prices, Coffee and Soft Drinks:

The Board has found it necessary to increase the price of coffee and soft drinks at the concession stand. Coffee and soft drinks will sell for 15¢ a glass rather than 10¢.

9. Liquor Control Officer:

The Board has designated a position of Liquor Control Officer (L.C.O.) who will be responsible for the purchase, audit and return of surplus liquor following a "wet" night. The L.C.O. is also responsible for auditing the liquor tickets before and after sales.

Mr. Harry Voth has been appointed L.C.O. for the 1970 calendar year.

10. Separate Prices, Liquor and Mix:

On "wet" nights (once a month), the purchase of liquor tickets will apply to liquor only and will not include mix. Mix will be purchased separately. On August 1, this method was tried, one end of the bar beer was distributed, at the centre, hard liquor was dispensed and at the other end of the bar mix was dispensed. This system appeared to work out well and didn't involve too much waiting time by any member. We will agree, however, that a faster method of dispensing liquor will be found for the future.

11. New Name for Newsletter:

The Board has been requested to come up with an original sounding name for this Newsletter. Unfortunately, the names suggested haven't so far fitted the bill. Has anyone any suggestions?

12. Memberships:

The Club now has 172 paid members with 8 applications pending.

13. Membership Limitation, "Wet Nights:"

Limitation to numbers of people that can be contained in the Club on a wet night may have to be discussed as the Alberta Liquor Control Commission sets the number of people based on the number of square feet available. Our limit has just about been met.

14. Members Changing Their Addresses:

Would members please notify either the Secretary or the personnel in the ticket booth of any change of address. We are still receiving a fair number of letters back as a result of people moving.

15. Liquor in Club:

Members are reminded that they are not to bring liquor to the Club, glass bottles crashing on the floor are rather noisy as well as contrary to Club regulations.

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8. Recorded Voices, Coffee and Soft Drinks:

The Board has found it necessary to increase the price of coffee one cent (dimes) at the concession stand. Coffee and soft drinks will sell for 15¢ a glass rather than 10¢.

9. Liquor Control Board:

The Board has developed a location of Liquor Control Officer (L.C.O.) who will be responsible for the purchase, audit and return of surplus liquor following a "wet" night. The L.C.O. is also responsible for auditing the liquor tickets before and after each night.

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10. Separate Mixes, Liquor and Mix:

On "wet" nights (once a month), the purchase of liquor tickets will apply to liquor only and will not include mix. Mix will be purchased separately.
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14. Members Changing Trailer - Addresses:

Club members please notify either the Secretary or the personnel in the ticket booth of any change of address. We are still receiving a fair number of letters back as a result of people moving.

15. Liquor in Cars:

Members are reminded that they are not to bring liquor on the Club, please notice crowding on the floor are rather noisy as well as contrary to Club regulations.